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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) ~~A single gang~~ An electrical outlet box assembly for accommodating ~~a single~~ an electrical fixture and a communication fixture in side by side relationship, said assembly comprising:

a generally rectangular electrical box having a first side wall spaced apart from a second side wall, said first and second side walls defining a first mounting axis therebetween generally parallel to said side walls for mounting said electrical fixture; and

a supporting structure extending externally from said first side wall for accommodating a communication ~~fixture along~~ defining a second mounting axis generally parallel to ~~and on an~~ opposite side from ~~said first side wall~~ said first mounting axis;

said first and second mounting axes being generally equidistant from and on opposite sides of a centerline of said first side wall, with said first mounting axis being closer to said first side wall than said second side wall.

2. (original) An outlet box according to claim 1 wherein said electrical box further comprises a back wall extending between said first and second side walls.

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3. (original) An outlet box according to claim 2 wherein said electrical box further comprises a top wall and a bottom wall connecting said first and second side walls.
4. (original) An outlet box according to claim 2 wherein said back wall further includes access openings adjacent said first and second side walls.
5. (original) An outlet box according to claim 3 wherein said top and bottom walls further include mounting flanges on an exterior surface of said top and bottom walls.
6. (original) An outlet box according to claim 1 wherein said electrical fixture is selected from the group consisting of switches and receptacles.
7. (original) An outlet box according to claim 1 wherein said communication fixture is selected from the group consisting of data plugs, coaxial connector, and fiber optic connectors.
8. (currently amended) An outlet box according to claim 1 wherein said supporting structure ~~further~~ comprises an upper leg spaced apart from a lower leg, said upper and lower legs connecting said first side wall to a joining strut extending between distal ends of said upper and lower legs.

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9. (original) An outlet box assembly according to claim 8 wherein said upper and lower legs further comprise mounting elements located along said second mounting access.

10. (original) An outlet box according to claim 1 wherein said first side wall further comprises cable holding flanges.

11. (Currently Amended) A multigang outlet box assembly for accommodating plural electrical fixtures and for supporting a communication fixture, said assembly comprising:

a generally rectangular electrical box having a first side wall spaced apart from a second side wall for supporting said electrical fixtures therebetween, said electrical box defining a first electrical fixture mounting axis adjacent said first side wall and a second electrical fixture mounting axis adjacent said second side wall, each of said fixture mounting axes being generally parallel to said side walls; and

a support structure externally extending from said first side wall for accommodating a communication fixture ~~along defining~~ a third mounting axis generally parallel ~~and on an opposite side from to said first side wall to said first and second mounting axes;~~

~~said first and third mounting axis axes being generally equidistant from and on opposite sides of a central line centerline of said first side wall, with said first mounting axis being closer to said first side wall than said second mounting axis is to said second side wall.~~

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12. (original) A multigang outlet box assembly according to claim 11, wherein said electrical box further comprises a back wall extending between said first and second side walls.
13. (original) A multigang box according to claim 12, wherein said back wall further comprises a top wall and a bottom wall connecting said first and second side walls.
14. (original) A multigang box according to claim 12, wherein said back wall further includes access openings adjacent said first and second side walls.
15. (original) A multigang box according to claim 13, wherein said top and bottom walls further including mounting flanges on an exterior surface of said top and bottom walls.
16. (original) A multigang box according to claim 11, wherein said electrical fixture is selected from the group consisting of switches and receptacles.
17. (original) A multigang outlet box according to claim 11, wherein said communication fixture is selected from the group consisting of data plugs, coaxial connector, and fiber optic connectors.
18. (canceled)

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19. (original) A single gang electrical outlet box assembly for supporting an electrical fixture and a communication fixture, said assembly comprising:

an electrical outlet box having a box interior defined between a first side wall and a second side wall for supporting said electrical fixture within said interior; and

a support structure extending from said first side wall for accommodating said communication fixture;

said outlet box including electrical fixture mounting members being spaced apart along a first axis between and generally parallel to said first and second side walls;

said support structure including communication fixture mounting members being spaced apart along a second axis exterior and generally parallel to said first side wall;

said first and second axes being generally equidistant from said first side wall;

said first axis being non-centrally located between said first and second side walls.